

Airborne Precautions for Chickenpox or Measles for You and Your Visitors

General Information

You have been placed on airborne precautions because your illness could be spread to others through germs that are carried through the air.

The following procedures will be taken to help prevent the spread of your illness to others.

During Your Hospital Stay

- You will be in a private room that has special ventilation.
- A sign will be placed on your door to alert those who enter your room.
- Your door must stay closed at all times.
- Caregivers will wear special respiratory protection.
- If you must leave your room, you will need to wear a mask. The mask must cover your nose and mouth. Leave the mask on until you return to your room.

Precautions for You

- Stay in your room.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Put the tissues in the wastebasket.
- Leave your mask on when a member of your health care team is in your room.
- Cleanse your hands well and often, especially after coughing, handling used tissues, and removing your mask.

Precautions for Your Visitors

- Limit visitors to only those needed to support you during your illness.
- Your visitors need to check with a nurse before entering your room.
- Visitors who have not been vaccinated for or had chickenpox or measles are discouraged from entering your room. If the visitor must visit, they must wear a mask before coming into your room.